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GOOD BASEBALL SEEN AT NAVY FIELD

Asheville Score Narrow Win Over Hongkong Squad

BY R.O.Y.

The Hongkong Baseballers threw away a glorious opportunity of registering their first victory in two years when they succumbed to Chung Hwa by seven tallies to four in an interesting match on Saturday, after having had much the best of the game in every phase but the scoring.

The Club gang outdid the Chinese boys 8-4, and committed only two errors to four for the winners, but conceded several undeserved tallies when Bill Smith walked three Chinese hitters in a row for Pinky Higgins to come up with a terrible bone-head play that allowed the Ching Hwa boys to score four runs on many a hit, in the fourth frame.

Smith, who until then had the mound for the last couple of innings, hurled excellent ball, started off by walking Al Lau, Richard Chung and Choy, Bill Chang sacrificed

to score Al Lau, and then Nip Lum dumped one to Bill Smith who tossed to Pinky Higgins while Chung was making a dash for the plate. Thinking that the bases were loaded and the runner was forced at the plate, Pinky neglected to tag the runner and then heaved a wild peg over first base to allow Choy to cross the pan. Nip Lum eventually pilfered his way around to score before the third out could be made.

GOOD CHANGE

After allowing Chung Hwa a handy lead, the Baseballers had every chance of pulling the game out of the fire when, in the last stanza, Fittinghoff scored and Higgins, Caco Marques and Charlie Figueiredo loaded the sacks with only Ernie Hearther away. Faced with this situation, Abe Liu, manager for the Chinese, yanked Bill Chang off the mound to make way for Wally Ching who promptly extinguished the Baseballers' hopes by fanning both Hans Waggoner and Bill Smith to end the ball game.

SMITH TIRES

Bill Smith held the winners to four bingles but tired perceptively over the last half or the game when he appeared to lose much of his control.

Ernie Hearther, after all these years, kept his place in the sun with a very sound display at the initial sack, while Waggoner and Tony Alves were both safe at second and third respectively.

Higgins took batting honours with three singles in four trips to the plate.

"NO-ERROR" LUM

For Chung Hwa, Nip Lum played his second consecutive errorless game behind the plate while Chung showed encouraging improvement in his handling of the first base position.

Wally Ching started off badly by committing two bobbles in the first frame, but settled down to substantiate his claims to being one of the best of the local shortstops and did a good job of relief pitching by striking out the only two batters who faced him.

"MINS" WIN EASILY

The Mindanao gang had little difficulty in taking the Royal Engineers, by 15 markers to 7 on Sunday morning, although the Sappers certainly deserve a big hand for battling all the way in what appeared to be a hopeless cause.

Tony Mascavage, pitching for the sailors, wound up with ten strike-outs and but one free pass. It must be admitted, however, that the Sappers made these excellent figures possible by swinging at a great number of bad 'uns.'

Cecil Douglas clouted the longest hit, which went for three bags, while Pig Padgett ran him close with a double which bounced back off the left field fence.

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Foley was the only two-hitter in his team and connected for a long double to right field, which was later duplicated by Denyer who also put up a good showing on

Lawn Bowls Selections

The following are some of the lawn bowls selections for Saturday, June 1:

FIRST DIVISION
C.S.C.C.: S. Eccleshall, J. Deakin, A. Grimmitt, F. J. Jones (skip); M. E. Purvis, W. J. Burling, M. N. Rakusen, H. E. Strange (skip); J. Gellately, J. Holledge, L. A. Collyer, J. F. McGowan (skip).

I.R.C.: J. Hoosen, A. K. Suffiad, A. R. Minu, A. K. Minu (skip); A. R. Rumjahn, S. Yusuf, M. Y. Adal, A. R. Dallah (skip); D. M. Khan, A. M. Rumjahn, A. O. Madar, M. R. Abbas (skip).

RECREO: "A": L. F. Xavier, F. X. Soares, R. F. Luz, H. A. Alves (skip); L. J. Silva, C. M. Silva, J. V. Ribeiro, F. X. Silva (skip); J. A. Luz, C. E. Marques, F. V. Ribeiro, G. C. Silva (skip).

RECREO: "B": C. C. Pereira, D. C. Alves, A. P. Guterres, B. Basto (skip); F. A. Machado, C. H. Basto (skip); J. C. Remedios, A. P. Pereira, C. Lopes, J. Noronha (skip).

SECOND DIVISION
RECREO: M. Alarcon, A. F. Noronha, A. Rodrigues, O. P. Remedios (skip); P. M. N. Silva, J. A. Remedios, C. M. S. Alves, P. V. Yanovich (skip); F. X. Xavier, H. R. Pinna, E. M. Remedios, E. Souza (skip).

HONGKONG C.C.: W. A. Cornell, J. L. Prentice, G. S. Archibutt, L. A. R. Duncan (skip); A. K. Mackenzie, J. L. Mouat, G. E. Costello, B. E. Maughan (skip); T. A. Pearce, E. Hosper, R. R. Davies, A. W. Brown (skip).

C.S.C.C.: P. D. Crawley, H. Lord, H. F. Harper, C. Strange (skip); A. Shepherd, F. Austin, C. Walker, A. B. Allen (skip); J. R. Carr, H. Parrott, E. Kirmon, R. R. Wood (skip).

THIRD DIVISION

HONGKONG C.C.: W. A. Crulckshank, L. E. N. Ryan, A. Nissim, P. S. Cassidy (skip); F. D. Angus, H. A. Angus, R. H. Wild, R. A. Edwards (skip); W. J. Hansen, A. S. Mitchell, E. S. Abraham, A. McKechnie (skip).

I.R.C.: M. U. Razack, R. Nazarin, A. H. Madar, A. M. Wahab (skip); M. Hassan, A. G. Suffiad, K. M. Rumjahn, A. Bakar (skip); U. A. Rumjahn, A. M. Wahab, M. P. Madar, S. M. Rumjahn (skip).

H.K.F.A. COUNCIL MEETING

A Council meeting of the Hongkong Football Association will be held at the Association's office on Monday, June 10, at 5.30 p.m.

BUSINESS:—1. Minutes of Council Meeting No. 9; 2. Minutes of League Management Committee Meeting No. 14; 3. Minutes of Emergency Sub-Committee Meeting No. 12; 4. Accounts for the year ending May 31, 1940; 5. Any other business.

SPORTING FIXTURES TODAY

MEETING:—Half-Year General, of Hongkong Jockey Club, Happy Valley, 5.30 p.m.

SWIMMING:—European YMCA Swimming and Water-polo practice, 5.30 p.m.—7.30 p.m.

TENNIS LEAGUE:—D. Division, Chinese R.C. v. Craengower; Filipin Club v. Central British; South China v. Chinese R.C.; Kowloon Indians v. Indian R.C.

TOMORROW

SWIMMING:—European YMCA Business Girls' Hour 5.30 p.m.—6.30 p.m., Mixed Swimming, 6.30 p.m.—8 p.m.

TENNIS LEAGUE:—Mixed Doubles, Chinese R.C. v. Hongkong C.C.; University v. Kowloon C.C.; Ladies' R.C. v. United Services R.C.

SATURDAY, JUNE 1

LAWN BOWLS:—First Division: Recreo "A" v. Civil Service; Craengower v. Police R.C.; Kowloon Dockers R.C. v. Kowloon C.C.; Kowloon B.G.C. v. Recreo "B"; Indian R.C. v. HK Football Club; Second Division: Craengower v. Police R.C.; Tai Kok R.C. v. Club de Recreo; Hongkong C.C. v. Kowloon B.G.C.; Civil Service C.C. v. Kowloon Tong; Kowloon Football Club v. Kowloon C.C. Third Division: Hongkong C.C. v. Indian R.C.; Hongkong Electric R.C. v. Hongkong Football Club; Prison O.C. v. Kowloon B.G.C.; Kowloon Football Club v. Craengower.

WOLVES MAKE RINGS ROUND LUTON

Wolverhampton ... 6 Luton ... 1

The eager Wolves' forwards had some shooting-in practice against Luton, and took full advantage.

The Town defence was no match for the young Wanderers' front line, who scored twice in the first half and added four after the interval.

Luton arrived minus Kerr, their outside right, so Wolverhampton sent them 15-year-old William Burgrave from the ground staff.

Burgrave gave a good account of himself on his first appearance in Regional football, but Luton were always playing second fiddle.

Wolverhampton scored two quick first-half goals through Galley and Mullien.

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TENNIS LEAGUE

"C" DIVISION RESULTS

Only Two Matches In Kowloon

Owing to the rain on Tuesday and yesterday morning, only two matches in the "C" Division Tennis League programme were decided in Kowloon yesterday afternoon.

K.I.T.C. WIN

At King's Park K.I.T.C. beat Police Sports Club by 6 sets to 2.

S. A. Hussain and S. S. Hussain (K.I.T.C.) beat H. R. Brown and C. Pile 6-0; beat J. Howlett and E. G. Baker 6-0; beat S. G. Smith and V. Morrison 6-0.

F. Khan and Dr. H. M. Singh (K.I.T.C.) beat Brown and Pile 7-5; drew with Howlett and Baker 6-6; beat Smith and Morrison 6-2.

K.C.C. HELD

At Cox's Path, Kowloon Cricket Club drew with the Club de Recreo "B".

E. Zulai and R. E. Lee (K.C.C.) drew with J. C. Fonseca and R. M. Soares 6-6; drew with L. G. Gosano and J. M. Gosano 6-6; beat A. M. Alves and A. E. Noronha 6-1.

P. Wynter-Blyth and A. L. Fisher (K.C.C.) beat Fonseca and Soares 6-1; lost to L. G. and J. M. Gosano 6-6; lost to Alves and Noronha 4-6.

J. L. Anderson and D. Hunt (K.C.C.) drew with Fonseca and Soares 6-6; beat L. G. and J. M. Gosano 7-5; lost to Alves and Noronha 2-6.

WEST BROMWICH FAIL

At West Bromwich, the New York-Boston game was postponed.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

R. H. E. Cincinnati 2 6 2

Pittsburgh 5 8 1

St. Louis 5 8 1

Chicago 0 4 1

(Lanier pitched for the Cardinals). The New York-Boston game was postponed.

PHILADELPHIA 2 6 4

Brooklyn 4 11 0

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Washington 4 12 1

New York 12 14 1

Washington 1 7 0

New York 3 9 0

Detroit 8 11 0

Cleveland 5 11 0

Chicago 9 18 2

St. Louis 10 12 1

Chicago 5 10 0

St. Louis 7 12 1

Boston 4 14 1

Philadelphia 1 8 0

HOME SOCCER RESULTS

LONDON, May 29. (Reuter)—The following were the results of matches played in the English Regional Football League yesterday:

Rochdale 3 Blackpool 3

Oldham 2 Blackburn 5

DJEBEL NOT STARTING

PARIS, May 29. (Reuter)—M. Boussac, the owner, told Reuter's representative yesterday that Djebel will not be running in the Derby Substitute, for which race she was favourite. War, it is said, has interrupted her training.

An injury to Connolly deprived the Albion of his services in the second half, but Leicester had by then established their superiority.

The game had a thrilling opening. In a raid by Albion, McLaren saved twice in succession from Butler, and then Dewis's header was saved by Adams.

After 15 minutes City took the lead through Dewis, and five minutes later Houghton scored a second for Leicester.

Ten minutes from the interval Connolly, of the Albion, was injured in a goal-mouth scramble.

He was taken to the Leicester Royal Infirmary with it is believed, injuries to the ribs.

The second half opened very tamely, and 21 minutes elapsed before City was put into the game by Dewis heading a third goal for Leicester.

Two minutes later Dewis put on Leicester's fourth, and then ten minutes from the end Houghton scored a second for the Rovers.

The Rovers had much the better of the opening stages. Tadman striking the crossbar with a great shot.

The City, however, responded strongly, and Watts made splendid clearances when tested by Vidler.

The play was fast, but Bourton, the City leader, was too closely watched by O'Mahoney to be dangerous.

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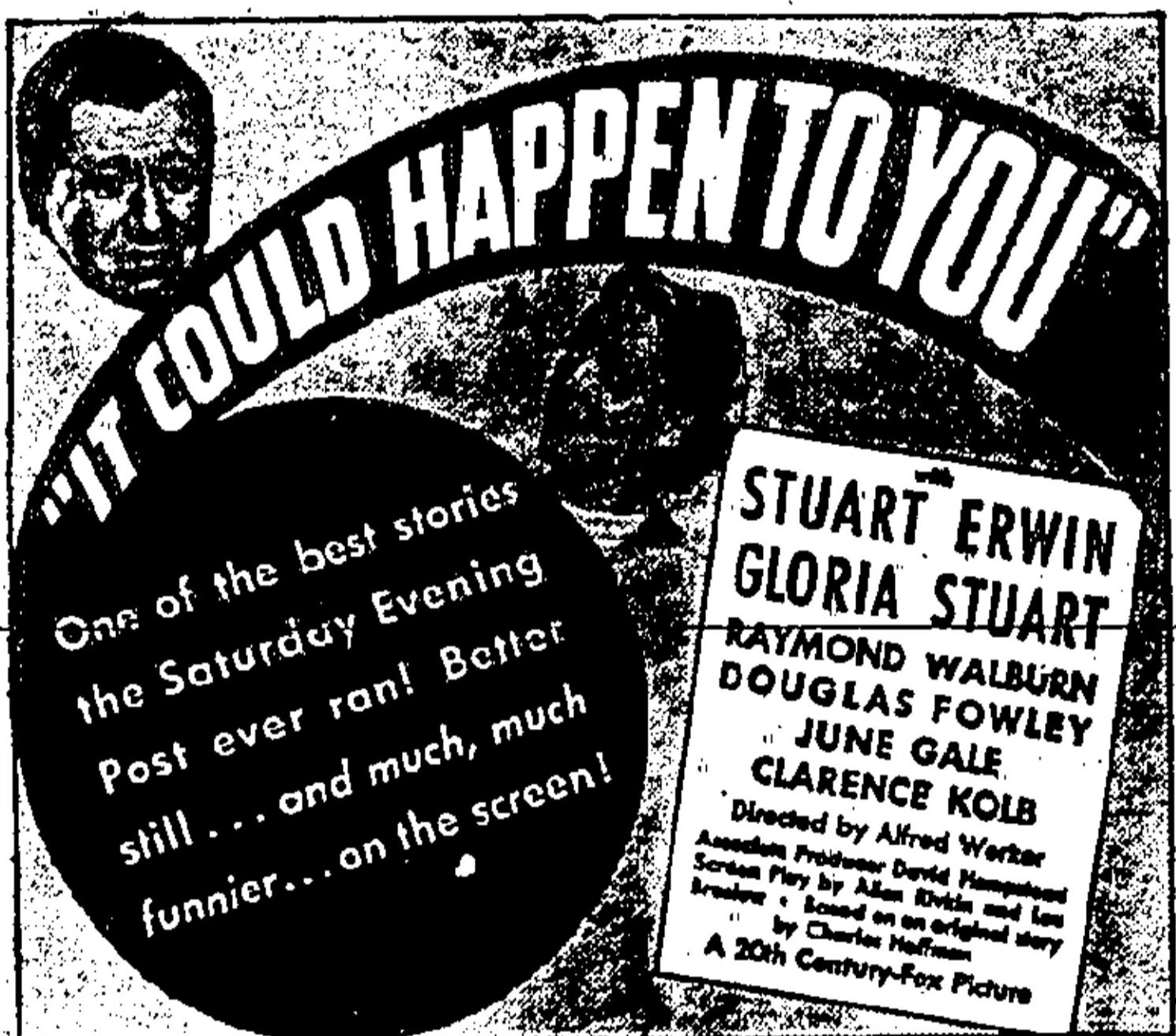
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COMING EVENTS

MAY

30—Tides: High 5.22 a.m. and 1.30 p.m. Low 10.21 a.m. and 16.38 p.m. Sunrise: 5.37 a.m.; Sunset: 7.05 p.m. Choral Group to present "Caravella Rusticana" at King's Theatre. Special Service at Rosary Church, Kowloon, 6 p.m. R.N.Y. Police Recreation Room, Whist Drive, 8.30 p.m. Legislative Council, 2.30 p.m. Indo-China S.N. Co. Ltd. Annual Meeting, 12 noon. Half-Year General Meeting of H.K. Jockey Club, 5.30 p.m. Y.M.C.A.: Games Morning, 10 a.m. Cheero Club: Mah-jongg Drive, 8.30 p.m. Vocal Recital at Teachers Training College, Hospital Road, 8 p.m. Swimming: Water Polo Matches at Y.M.C.A., 7.30 p.m.

H.K. Y's Men's Club: Ladies Night Meeting, St. Francis Hotel, 7.30 p.m. Theosophical Society Mtg., 6 p.m. Ladies' Bible Study, 2.15 p.m. Nathan Road, 10.30 a.m. Chess Championship Continued, H.K. Philatelic Society, S.C.M.F., 5.30 p.m. St. Andrew's Women's Fellowship, 2.30 p.m. Cathedral Women's Fellowship Working Party, 3.30 p.m. St. Andrew's Working Party (E.W.O.P.), 3 p.m.

31—Tides: High 5.36 a.m. and 1.02 p.m. Low 11.49 a.m. and 12.23 p.m. Sunrise: 5.37 a.m.; Sunset: 7.03 p.m. R.A.O.C. Monthly Dinner-Speaker: Major R. D. Walker "Explosives and Their Use". Cheero Club: Grand Variety Entertainment, 9 p.m.

Claims against estate of Paul Jerome Toad due. Congregation of H.K. University, Great Hall, 6.30 p.m. Recital on Two Pianos, Peninsula Hotel, 9.30 p.m.

Y.M.C.A.: Swimming for Business Girls, 5.30 p.m.; Mixed Swimming, 6.30 p.m.

JUNE

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JAPANESE RUSH HELP TO TSAOYANG AREA

Chinese Hold Up Advance Of Reinforcements

FANCHENG, May 29 (Central)—Over 10,000 Japanese reinforcements are being rushed westward to Tsaoyang in northern Hupeh through Kwangshu, a town on the Fiping-Hankow Railway, 89 miles north of Hankow.

The Japanese beleaguered in Tsaoyang continue to strengthen their defence works in an attempt to hold out until Japanese reinforcements arrive.

The Chinese are busily intercepting Japanese withdrawing from Tsaoyang and enemy reinforcements heading for that city. Heavy losses are said to have been inflicted during a series of attacks against the Japanese on the Shanyang-Huayuan highway, on May 28 and 29.

More than 2,000 Japanese retiring from Tsaoyang were intercepted and dispersed on May 27 at Fangchatsi and Hsinchieh, southwest of Tsaoyang, while about 1,000 Japanese retreating from Wuchintien, southeast of Tsaoyang, to the Tuhung mountain range were also checked.

In south Honan there has been fighting at Sanliu, east of Wushengkwan, during the past days. The Japanese have been driven away.

FIGHTING RAGES

Fighting continues to rage at Kaoping, and Chinching in south-west Shansi. The Chinese have cut the highway between Kaoping and Changtze and are tightening their ring around Kaoping. Heavy damage was done to Japanese defences and supplies at Mishanchen, and Pakungchen, which lie to the south of Kaoping, when Chinese troops broke into the towns a few days ago.

About 4,000 Japanese reinforcements have been dispatched to Chinching, to meet the Chinese attack. A Japanese unit forcing their way through the Chinese cordon on May 25 suffered heavily, when attacked by the Chinese from all sides.

JAPANESE SURPRISED

A message from Suyuan states that the Chinese made a surprise attack against the Japanese near Kuyang, north of Paoftow, a few days ago. About 300 Japanese were killed and 50 taken prisoner.

According to a report from Anhwei, the Japanese drive on Tsingyang on the south bank of the Yangtze River, about 22 miles east of Kweichow, has been repulsed. The Japanese are fleeing

Mass Raid On Chungking

OVER HUNDRED PLANES IN ATTACK

CHUNGKING, May 29 (Reuter)—A total of 144 Japanese planes intensively raided the city yesterday.

Two flights bombed the residential districts while two others attacked the suburbs. Chinese casualties are estimated at hundreds but the number of foreign casualties have not yet been reported, though bombs fell close to the foreign Embassies.

All the windows of the French Embassy were broken and the occupants thrown off their feet by the explosions. The foreign press hostel was completely wrecked and Reuter's representative and his wife had a narrow escape.

PARACHUTISTS DIE BY THE THOUSANDS

LONDON, May 29 (Reuter)—The number of German parachutists who landed in Holland was probably 10,000, of whom 7,000 were shot or killed in other ways.

This information was given yesterday by two Dutch gentlemen who visited the House of Commons at the invitation of Sir Walter Smiles.

They stated that the parachutists were armed with sub-machine guns and automatic revolvers.

They were each carrying sufficient food in tablet form to last them for seven days.

However, many were killed and others had their legs broken through heavy landings.

northward. Chinese troops in pursuit have recaptured Muchen, and Yuanyu, respectively northeast and north of Tsingyang.

SITUATION GRAVE BUT ALLIES ARE CONFIDENT

"As The Danger Increases Our Courage Rises"

LONDON, May 29 (Reuter)—Mr. A. Duff Cooper, Minister of Information, made a broadcast yesterday.

The enemy, he said, had succeeded in forcing their way through the Allies' lines and reaching the sea. But the Allied armies had not been defeated. "Whenever we met the enemy on land, sea or in the air," he continued, "we have proved our superiority."

It will be necessary to do our utmost to withdraw our Army from the positions it now occupies. It won't be a defeated Army but an Army wherein every officer and man is burning with a desire to meet the enemy in combat.

"As the danger increases our courage rises. The cause of liberty is safe and the final victory will still be ours."

NEVER BEATEN

LONDON, May 29 (Reuter)—There is no disposition in well-informed quarters in London to minimise the critical situation in which the B.E.F. finds itself as the result of the defection of King Leopold.

It is emphasised that the B.E.F. is an unbeaten force. Whatever work they have had to do they have done, and they have never been beaten back or broken.

Every time they have been asked to counter-attack, they have done so effectively, and when they have been asked to withdraw, they have done so in good order and with no loss of discipline and morale.

Man for man against the Germans, the B.E.F. had proved themselves superior to the German personnel.

TRUST IN LEADERS

It is pointed out that the B.E.F. have been marching and fighting continuously for over a fortnight with little rest. During this time they have been continually bombed, shelled and attacked by tanks, and they have not wavered.

This would not have been possible but for the confidence and trust reposed by the men in their leaders and this confidence would not have existed had not the officers shown all the qualities of leadership, and self-sacrifice which have always been the hallmark of the British Army.

Not only has the B.E.F. had the normal difficulties of war to contend with but the roads have been blocked by thousands of refugees, and communications have been bombed and destroyed involving constant revision in the way of staff work. The B.E.F. nevertheless has moved as a coherent whole throughout.

In their present position it will be almost impossible to reorientate their front to attacks from every direction at once.

WHEN HISTORY IS WRITTEN

The British Army, with their French allies, will continue their fight.

It is pointed out that although the greater part of the Expeditionary Force is in north France, it is not all there.

In continuing their fight, the British and French allies are serving very useful purposes, of which is to give the French valuable time to strengthen their front on the Somme and the Aisne.

When the history of the past fortnight comes to be written, it is declared, this battle will rank as among the finest feats ever performed by British arms.

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"Oddly enough he did — in spite of last night's stag party. All set now for the orange blossoms."

"And the little head?"

"Ticking over beautifully old boy. Cool as a cucumber full of cucumber. Am I becoming a saturated equation — or is it just the influence of a good woman?"

"Your ignorance of the facts of life, Edmond, is little short of monumental. Remember the long draught of Rose's Lime Juice I made you drink before retiring? Pause and consider, Edmond —

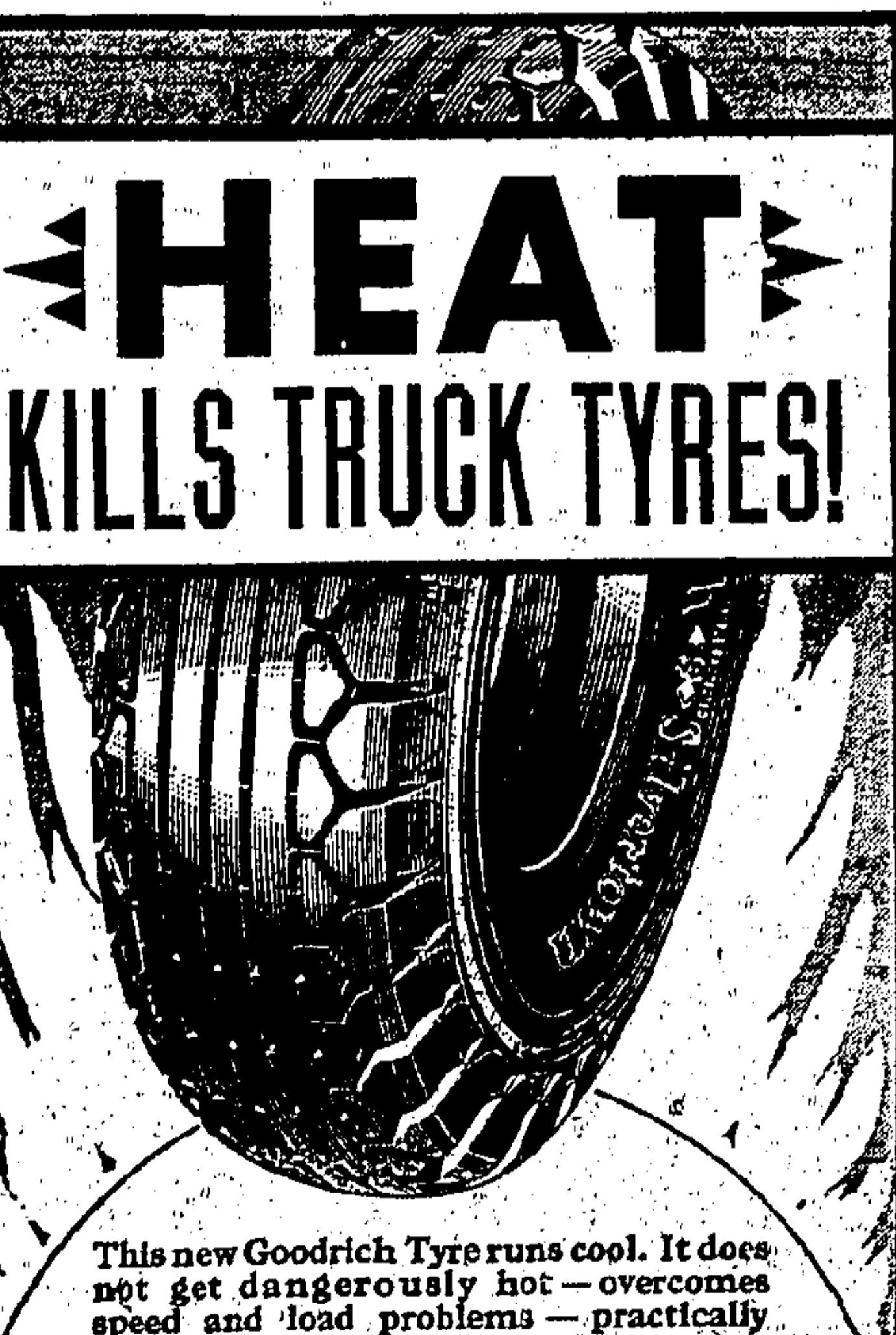
knowing me as you do — was that pure altruism?"

"I've never known you do an unselfish act in your life old boy."

"Right. My only concern was to save myself trouble and get you to the church in such condition that you could both speak audibly and walk unaided. With the help of Rose's Lime Juice I have succeeded. Listen carefully, Edmond, while I explain the chemical action of Rose's —"

"I say — look! Quarter to eleven! Where's the ring? Where's my hat? Is the car ready? Is my tie all right? — Hurry up, hurry up. Where's my — oh, here it is — QUICK!"

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"WE SWEAR TO AVENGE THIS TREASON"

Belgian People Vow To Continue Fighting

Premier Says New Army Will Join The Allies

PARIS, May 29 (Reuter)—Broadcasting yesterday, M. Hubert Pierlot, the Belgian Prime Minister, said:

"Belgians! Disregarding the formal and unanimous advice of the Government, the King has entered into separate negotiations with the enemy and treated with him." It is dumbfounded, but the guilt of one man cannot be imputed to the entire nation.

"Our army has not deserved the fate which has befallen it.

"The act which we deplore is without any legal validity and does not bind the country.

"According to the terms of the Belgian Constitution, which the King swore to uphold, all powers come from the people. They are carried out according to the stipulation laid down in the Constitution.

"No act of the King can be valid unless it bears the countersignature of a Minister.

"This principle is absolute. It is the fundamental rule of the functioning of our institutions.

"The King, breaking the links which bind him to his nation, has placed himself under the power of the invader. Therefore he is no longer in a position to govern.

"Officials, civil servants and officers are, therefore, released from the obedience imposed upon them by their oath of allegiance.

WILL CONTINUE RESISTANCE

"The Belgian Constitution provides for a continuity of the powers of the Government. The Government, which is the only regularly constituted one and is invested with the confidence of the two Chambers who have approved of its determination to fight, will defend the independence of Belgium and the integrity of her territory to the utmost in conjunction with the Allies against the most odious of aggressions.

"The Government will not fail to do its duty."

After stressing the Government's resolve to continue the struggle for the liberation of the country, M. Pierlot added:

NEW ARMY TO FIGHT

"From among the courageous younger generation who responded to the appeal of the Government, together with the Belgian soldiers who are now in France and Britain, a new army will be raised and organised, and will fight side by side with the Allied armies.

"All the forces still at our disposal will be utilised in the service of a cause which has become

black crepe was tied to the base of the statue and numerous wreaths were laid on it. Thousands of Belgians, including groups of ex-servicemen, were present.

Amid scenes of great emotion, the crowd sang the Belgian na-

R.A.F. HAVE GOOD DAY

LONDON, May 29 (Reuter)—The Air Ministry announce that R.A.F. fighters yesterday had their best day since the invasion of the Low Countries. They destroyed or seriously damaged 79 German raiders. Fifty were seen to crash and the remainder flew off disabled.

Fourteen of our Hurricanes and Spitfires are missing though some pilots are believed to be safe. For 16 hours, fighters patrolled the sky over the battlefield and French and Belgian ports. Messerschmitt fighters had a particularly bad day, 22 being destroyed and nine put out of action.

national anthem and filed past for an hour and a half.

Some young Belgians fixed a notice on the statue reading: "Venerated King who made our country great, give us strength to wash away the shame which your unworthy successor has covered our unhappy Belgium. We swear to avenge this treason."

LONDON, May 29 (Reuter)—The first German announcement gave an impression that the news of King Leopold's surrender had taken Berlin by surprise.

Later it was said that he had asked for an armistice and had then accepted the German demand for an unconditional surrender.

KING'S ACT TREASON

PARIS, May 29 (Reuter)—"King Leopold's act is one of personal treason for which he is alone responsible," says military quarters here.

The development occurred just at the time when the Allies were beginning to score local successes as exemplified by the striking success on the upper reaches of the Lys against superior forces.

ARMY IN FRANCE

PARIS, May 29 (Reuter)—It is officially announced that the Belgian Government has decided that Belgium shall continue to fight by the side of the Allies.

She will use all her army in France, which has now been regrouped, and thrown into the battle, all the strength of the nation in order to secure victory.

ITALIAN REACTION

ROME, May 29 (Reuter)—It is felt here that King Leopold's surrender may be a determining factor in Italy's attitude to the war.

The evening papers declare that the surrender will have serious consequences for the Allies.

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\$770,189 A.R.P. VOTES OUT OF TOTAL OF \$845,536 TO BE CONSIDERED BY FINANCE COMMITTEE THIS AFTERNOON

ELEVEN VOTES FOR THE AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS, TOTALLING \$523,582, plus an additional \$246,607, under Public Works Extraordinary for the A.R.P. Department, are included in supplementary votes aggregating \$845,536 which will be considered by the Finance Committee after the meeting of the Legislative Council this afternoon.

The memoranda explaining the items is as follows:—

ESTIMATES, 1940-41

Volunteer Defence Corps:—Gestetner Duplicator \$1,100.

Hongkong Naval Volunteer Force:—Pay and Allowances for Training Exercises \$1,467.

Air Raid Precautions:—Badges (Air Raid Precautions) \$1,750; Hire of Halls and Lecturers Fees \$15,000. Owing to the continuance of the increased demand by the general public for A.R.P. lectures and instruction the amount provided under this sub-head has proved insufficient) Incidental \$1,800; Transport \$2,000; Respirators for essential services \$320,000; Protective Clothing \$24,500; Syrens \$15,000; Medical Stores \$117,807; Air Raid Wardens' Equipment \$8,000; Equipment for St. John Ambulance Brigade Reserve \$15,725; Lighting devices for Government Buildings \$4,000.

Harbour Department and Air Services:—New Diesel Engine for H.D. 12 \$300; One 3-ton crane for Yaumati \$775; Fencing \$500. Intended to keep the public out of danger at Kai Tak Airport.

Medical Department:—Portable X-Ray Machine \$2,200; Experimental conversion of refuse into fertilizer \$1,000; Reserve of Medical Equipment \$3,413; Personal Emoluments \$2,750. It is considered desirable to improve the laboratory services in Hongkong and, at the same time, to implement the recommendations of the Inspecting Officer from the General Medical Council to provide better facilities for the training of medical students in pathology and morbid anatomy.

By providing a subvention to the Hongkong University of \$8,000 per annum, \$5,000 for personnel and equipment and \$3,000 for honorarium to the Professor of Pathology, it will be possible to achieve both objects to the advantage of the community as a whole. The proposal will result in the Professor of Pathology and his staff becoming responsible for all the work at the Victoria Mortuary and will release a Government (Chinese) Assistant Bacteriologist to take over some of the duties of the Bacteriological Institute which cannot be carried out satisfactorily at present owing to shortage of staff.

University of Hongkong \$4,567. Prison Department:—2 Printing Machines \$390.

Public Works Recurrent and Water Works:—Maintenance of Vehicles Ferry Piers at Jubilee Street and Jordan Road \$7,333. (A sum of \$3,500 is required to replace the existing steel springs of the caisson at the Jubilee Street Ferry Pier with rubber fenders. The steel springs have proved unreliable when submerged in sea water, and it is hoped to overcome this disadvantage by using a new type of rubber fender which will reduce future maintenance costs.)

Treasury:—Office Equipment \$5,000. At present the establishment records in the Treasury are kept in book form and as the number of books, etc. is increasing steadily, it is proposed to transfer all records to a card-index system.

Public Works Extraordinary:—Air Raid Precautions \$246,607.

The following is a summary of the programme of works:—

	Actual Expenditure 1939	Estimated Expenditure 1940/41
1. Air Raid Precautions School	\$ 53,067.23	\$100,549
2. Air Raid Precautions Store	80,246.65	212,899
3. Casualty Clearing Station	15,050.00	55,193
4. Government House	8,138.03	18,524
5. Water Works	9,296.16	5,100
6. Small Works	2,429.32	2,600
7. Air Raid Precautions Club House	1,850.00	1,850
8. Miscellaneous Items	4,556.05	149,902
	\$174,473.44	\$246,607

PRAYERS FOR PEACE

The Rosary Church was crowded with devout Catholics yesterday evening for the special service in connection with the Triduum of Supplication for Peace. Special Masses were said on the last three mornings and yesterday's devotions brought the Service to a close. The Rev. Fr. Angelus conducted the services.

REFUSE & SEWAGE DISPOSAL

INDORE PROCESS FOR COLONY

A scientific form of refuse and sewage disposal is going to be experimentally tried out on the mainland in the near future.

With this is dispelled the rumour that the Government was going to open a sewage farm in the Colony.

The Indore Process of refuse disposal is to be used. It has been successfully tried out in India, Africa and Great Britain, by which night soil and refuse is converted into a useful fertiliser, a nitrogenous black powder, resembling loam soil.

A Health official told the Hongkong Daily Press that the fertiliser may be sold to farmers in the New Territories, and will considerably increase the green-stuff and vegetable production for the Colony's consumption.

Mr. Sverre Berg resigns from his position as District Warden, District C, Eastern Division, as from May 27, 1940, on his joining the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps.

Mrs. J. C. Green, Air Raid Warden, resigns from the A.R.P. Establishment from May 29, 1940, on joining the Auxiliary Nursing Service.

Miss M. G. Johnson, Air Raid Warden, resigns from the A.R.P. Establishment from May 29, 1940, on leaving the Colony.

TRAINING

Demonstration:—A demonstration of fire-fighting appliances, including lessons in escape from fire will be given at the Central Fire Station, Hongkong, at 5.45 p.m. on Wednesday, June 3, 1940. Divisional and District Wardens are invited to attend.

Lecture:—Major C. Champkin will give a talk on "How to Lecture" at the Club Lustiano at 5.45 p.m. on Friday, June 7, 1940. Divisional and District Wardens and L.A.R.P.S. Instructors are invited to attend.

Meeting:—A meeting of District and Deputy District Wardens, Shamshui-po, will be held on Friday, May 31, 1940, at 8.45 p.m. in the Yee Kuk Dispensary, Shamshui-po.

Instructors' Course (E. 15)—Syllabus B. In future lectures will be given at the Kowloon Motor Bus Co.'s premises on Tuesdays and Fridays at 5.30 p.m., commencing on Friday, May 31, and not at the A.R.P. Club, King's Park, Kowloon as stated in A.R.P. Orders No. 21 (22/5/40).

Wardens' Examinations Syllabus A. The following examinations will be held on June 3, 1940, for Chinese-speaking candidates:

C. 110—King's College, Bonham Road 7 p.m.

C. 131—Yuet Sau School, Shamshui-po 8.30 p.m.

C. 132—Yuet Sau School—examination for candidates attending Chinese Dispensary, Shamshui-po 8.30 p.m.

\$1,000 VOTE

A vote of \$1,000 is to be requested at the Legislative Council Finance Committee meeting today, to cover the cost of tanks, tools, personnel and equipment for the Indore process experiment.

(Sgt.) H. W. LEYDEN,
Warden Instructor.

SOONG SISTERS HELP THE C.I.C.

It was a happy day for the C.I.C. when Madame Kung adopted all the C.I.C. children in the Chungking area. From now on she will be responsible for their welfare and training.

Before she returned to Hongkong recently she gave \$6,000 dollars to C.I.C. children. She is a very practical person herself and stressed the need for practical training and inculcating good health habits in the young.

Her gift is most heartily appreciated and when she returns to Chungking to see their work, she will get a loving welcome from her big new family.

It was a happy day too when the Soong sisters visited the C.I.C. depot at Chengtu. All were tremendously impressed and made most encouraging speeches.

The C.I.C. said Madame Sun fulfilled the third principle of Dr. Sun Yat-sen and all sisters emphasized the need for increased production to bolster up China's National Economy. Much to everyone's delight Madame Chiang during their tour of inspection sat down at an embroidery loom and filled in a small design.

The makers of cloth, blankets, shoes, stockings boots, and machines, who are doing so much to help China now, were immensely cheered by this visit.

RAIN CAUSES COLLAPSE

Rain caused the collapse of three houses in Taifoo Road on Tuesday, according to Wong Tui, resident in the locality. No one was injured.

The Royal Observatory reported yesterday that during the past 48 hours 2½ inches of rain were recorded, with the total rainfall for the year 28.72 inches, which is seven inches above normal.

SHARP RISE IN TEMPERATURE

A sharp rise in the temperature—seven degrees—was recorded yesterday, according to information obtained from the Royal Observatory. The maximum temperature up till 5 p.m. yesterday was 81 degrees as compared with the maximum recording of 14 degrees for the previous day. The minimum recording, however, was the same as on Tuesday when 72 degrees were registered.

At the conclusion of the case for the prosecution, the second accused was discharged, his Lordship holding he had no case to answer.

Fourth accused was found Not Guilty, and was acquitted while first and third accused were found guilty by the jury and were each sentenced to three years' hard labour.

Evidence was given by Crown witnesses.

MAN DISCHARGED

For the 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. yesterday 0.79 inch of rain was recorded, bringing the total since January 1 to 28.72 inches as against an average of 21.54 inches. If this state of affairs is maintained by the Clerk of the Weather we need fear no water restrictions during the really humid months of the Hongkong summer.

Legislative Council

AGENDA FOR THIS AFTERNOON

The order of business for the meeting of the Legislative Council to be held at 2.30 p.m. today is as under:—

MOTIONS

The Financial Secretary will move the following resolution:—

Resolved pursuant to the proviso to section 3 of the Note-Issuing Banks Extension of Powers Ordinance, 1939, that this Legislative Council hereby extends the powers of all the note-issuing banks to make, issue, re-issue and circulate notes until and including the 12th day of July, 1941.

The Attorney General will move—

That the amendments made by the Urban Council under section 5 of the Public Health (Food) Ordinance, 1935, on the 9th day of April, 1940, to the heading "Restaurants and Eating-houses" and the by-laws in the Schedule to that Ordinance be approved;

That the amendment made by the Urban Council under sections 5 and 6 of the Public Health (Food) Ordinance, 1935, on the 23rd day of April, 1940, to the by-laws in the Schedule to that Ordinance under the heading "Food Shops" be approved.

That the amendment made by the Urban Council under section 4 of the Public Health (Sanitation) Ordinance, 1935, on the 7th day of May, 1940, to the by-laws under the heading "Domestic Cleanliness and Prevention of Disease" and the sub-heading "Restrictions on Sale of Certain Food-stuffs" in Schedule A to that Ordinance be approved.

FIRST READING

The Attorney General will move the First readings of—

A Bill to provide machinery for fixing minimum wages, determining normal working hours, and fixing overtime rates in trades where the wage standards are unreasonably low.

A Bill to amend the Advertisements Regulation Ordinance, 1912.

A Bill to amend the New Territories Regulation Ordinance, 1910.

A Bill to amend the Defences (Sketching Prevention) Ordinance, 1935.

A Bill to amend the Prevention of Eviction Consolidation and Amendment Ordinance, 1939.

A Bill to Prevent the Passing On of War Property Tax.

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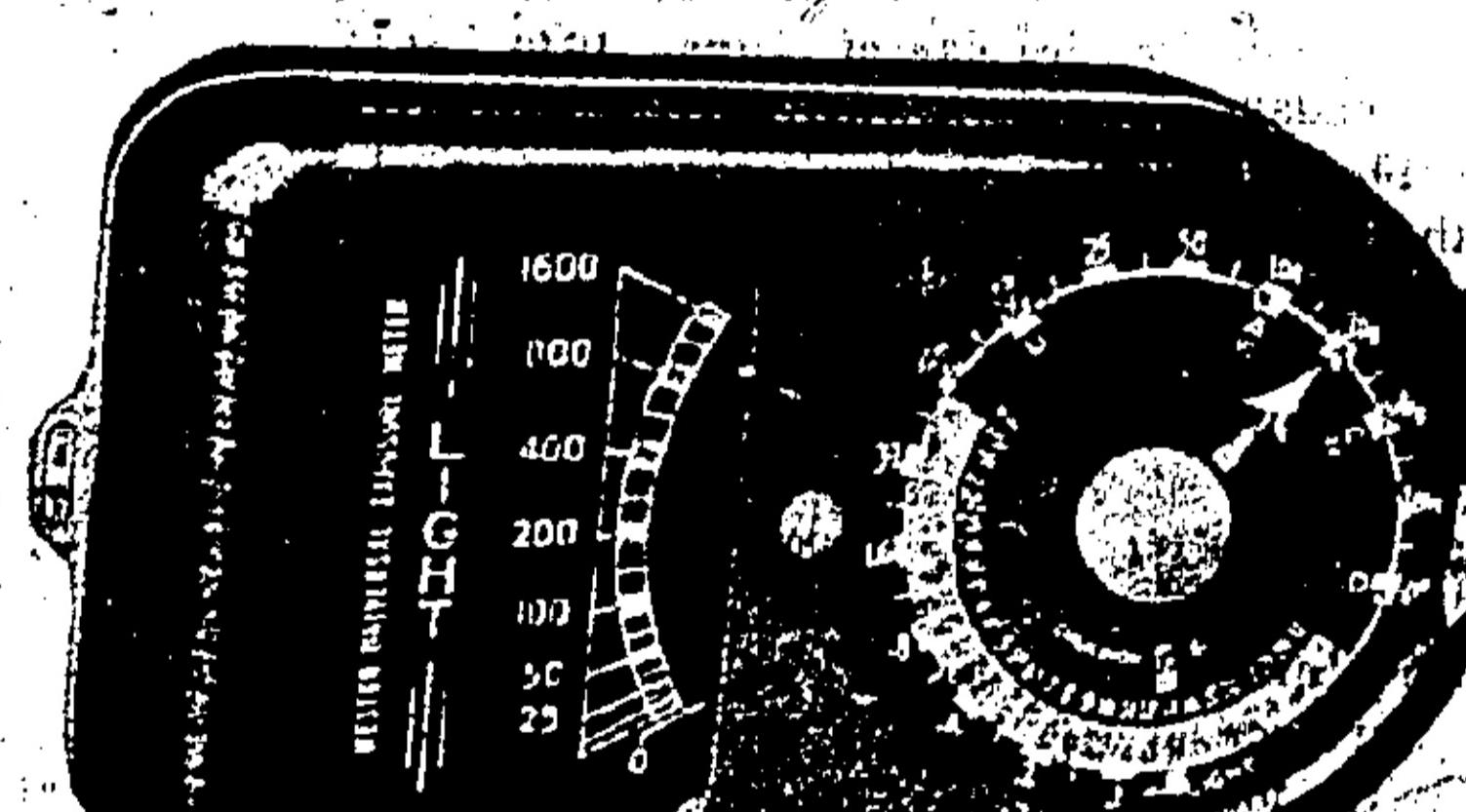
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G. R. PUBLIC AUCTION

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 3rd day of June, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Middle Gap Road, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant), will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Boundary Measurements	Locality	Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
N.	S.	E.	W.	ft. ft. ft. ft.	\$	\$
3	Lot No. 437.	Middle Gap Road.	As per sale plan.	About 10700	192	2,004

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PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 3rd day of June, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Cheung Sha Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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N.	S.	E.	W.	ft. ft. ft. ft.	\$	\$
4	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2707.	Junction of Un Chau St. and Wing Lung St., Cheung Sha Wan.	As per sale plan.	About 12830	176	12,830

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

CHINA UNDERWRITERS, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Call of \$1.00 per share has been made upon all members holding shares upon which \$6.00 per share only has been already paid, and will be payable on or before the 16th September, 1940 to the Bankers of the Company, Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, at Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong.

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SAFETY OF CHINESE ABROAD

GEN. WU TE-CHEN EXPRESSES CONCERN

CHUNGKING, May 28 (Central)

"The Chinese Government is greatly concerned over the safety of the lives and property of ten million Chinese in various possessions of the Powers in the Pacific," declared General Wu Te-chen, Minister of Overseas Affairs, yesterday when interviewed by newspapermen.

JAPANESE MENACE

General Wu said that although the world situation is not yet clarified, it may affect the Far East as Japan might take advantage of the disturbed condition in Europe to reap gains. The Chinese Overseas Minister pointed out that those countries in the South Seas where the Chinese are living and carrying on industrial and commercial pursuits are sympathetic with China's cause, and he urged his countrymen there "to remain calm and cooperate to the fullest extent with the governments concerned in order to cope with the present situation."

CHIANG'S INSTRUCTIONS

The great concern of the Chinese Government for its citizens abroad is shown by the fact that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek has already instructed the proper authorities to pay particular attention to developments which may affect the Chinese abroad.

Weekly Toll Of The Road

In the Colony of Hongkong including the Island, Kowloon and New Territories during the week ending at 8 a.m. on Saturday, May 25, 1940, there were altogether 95 traffic accidents as the result of which a person were killed and 41 persons were injured.

Of persons killed, a Chinese male, age 16, was knocked down and killed by a private motor car whilst crossing the carriage way a Chinese male who was riding on the carrier of a bicycle fell off and was run-over and killed by a lorry.

Of persons injured, 30 were pedestrians who were struck by vehicles while crossing the carriageway.

A bus passenger and a lorry passenger were injured on falling off a moving bus and a moving lorry respectively.

Four lorry passengers were injured by the load of the lorry moving, as the lorry suddenly stopped.

Four bus passengers and one tram passenger were injured while alighting from moving buses and a moving tram respectively.

Of 95 accidents, 39 were collisions between vehicles 41 were collisions between vehicles and pedestrians; 15 accidents were due to other causes.

AUXILIARY NURSES

It is proposed to commence a series of Home Nursing Lectures at the Queen Mary Hospital on Monday, June 17, at 5.30 p.m. provided there are sufficient candidates to form a class.

Members of the Auxiliary Nursing Service who took their Home Nursing examination previous to June 1939, are invited to attend these lectures as a Refresher Course.

Names of applicants should be sent in immediately to Hon. Sec. Auxiliary Nursing Service, Queen Mary Hospital.

The wedding took place yesterday at the Registry, Supreme Court, of Mr. Pun Bing-mun, merchant of No. 37 Gilman's Bazaar, and Miss Lee Sau-shengh, of No. 1 Ching Lin Terrace, Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, Registrar of Marriages, officiated.

CHEERO CLUB CONCERT

The following artistes are appearing for the entertainment of Servicemen at the Cheero Club at 9 p.m. tomorrow:

Jean Greig, Len Gibson, John Gilchrist, Albert Gordon, Andrew Tackfield, Anne Organ, Claire Shand, Maude Waller, Arnold Sutton and Bill Wimsett.

A special dance number has been arranged by Mr. George Goncharoff and will be presented by the pupils of his School of Dancing.

The show, which is billed as "Valderville" in two non-stop spasms, will be compereed by David Kosick and is under the distinguished patronage of Commodore A. M. Peters, R.N., D.S.C., and Brigadier A. B. Thomson, M.B.E. All servicemen are welcome and admission is free.

NEWSLETTERS

A small fire broke out in the premises of the Hongkong Rubber Co. on Tuesday night.

Mr. S. Grove, chartered accountant of Thomson & Co., Hongkong, left for Canton on Tuesday.

Mrs. J. J. Chapman, of Kyoto, Japan, who was on a visit to her daughter Mrs. Roger, in Hongkong, has returned to Japan.

Mr. W. W. Rae, of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, accompanied by Mrs. Rae and two daughters, returned to the Colony yesterday.

Mr. F. Powell, of Messrs. J. Stone and Co., Shanghai, passed through Hongkong yesterday on his way to the north.

The Rev. M. V. Halward, Scout Commissioner in South China, left Hongkong for Canton on Tuesday.

Mr. G. T. Palmer, Engineering Department, Reiss, Bradley & Co., Ltd., was a passenger to Canton on Tuesday.

Mr. G. F. Steed, branch manager of China Electric Co., Ltd., Hongkong, left for Canton on Tuesday.

Mr. W. A. Stiles, of the Texas Co., Shanghai, was a passenger to Canton from Hongkong on Tuesday.

Mr. V. F. Clarke, manager, Asiatic Petroleum Co. (North China) Ltd., Changsha, left Hongkong for Canton on Tuesday.

Mr. G. Scholey, director, Selinaing Consolidated Mines Ltd., arrived in Hongkong yesterday, accompanied by Mrs. Scholey and family.

Mr. B. L. Stock, assistant manager, Asiatic Petroleum Co. (South China) Ltd., Canton, arrived in Hongkong yesterday, accompanied by Mrs. Stock and daughter.

Today's meeting of the Hongkong Y.M.C.A. Club will take the form of Ladies' Night and will be held at St. Francis Hotel at 7.30 p.m.

The half-yearly meeting of members of the Hongkong Jockey Club will be held at 5.30 p.m. today at Happy Valley.

Mr. Woodbury Willoughby, of the Manila International Yacht Club, accompanied by Mrs. Willoughby passed through Hongkong yesterday on their way to Japan.

A vocal recital by Miss Diana Sun, A.R.C.M., who will be accompanied by Miss Esther Lyen, L.R.C.M., will be given today under the auspices of the Thursday Reading Club of Hongkong, at the Teachers' Training College, Hospital Road, at 8 p.m.

With full military honours rendered by the Shanghai Scottish Company of the Shanghai Volunteer Corps, in which Company he had been an active member for a number of years, the remains of the late Lance Corporal Richard Caldwell Veir, who died suddenly on May 22 were laid to rest in Highbury Well Cemetery on May 24.

Chan Sik-nam, driver of taxi No. 905 reported to the police that while driving in Hankow Road, near the Peninsula Hotel, another vehicle collided with his right rear mud-guard. The driver of the other car was a European, who is reported to have driven off after the accident.

CHEERO CLUB CONCERT

The following artistes are appearing for the entertainment of Servicemen at the Cheero Club at 9 p.m. tomorrow:

Jean Greig, Len Gibson, John Gilchrist, Albert Gordon, Andrew Tackfield, Anne Organ, Claire Shand, Maude Waller, Arnold Sutton and Bill Wimsett.

A special dance number has been arranged by Mr. George Goncharoff and will be presented by the pupils of his School of Dancing.

The show, which is billed as "Valderville" in two non-stop spasms, will be compereed by David Kosick and is under the distinguished patronage of Commodore A. M. Peters, R.N., D.S.C., and Brigadier A. B. Thomson, M.B.E. All servicemen are welcome and admission is free.

MR. DUFE COOPER AND THE MINISTRY'S ESTIMATES

LONDON, May 29 (Reuter) — Replying to the debate in the House of Commons on the Ministry of Information Estimates, Mr. Duff Cooper, Minister of Information, said: "The duty of the Ministry of Information is first and foremost that it should give the maximum information to the people of this country with the minimum of delay. Unfortunately, accuracy and promptitude are ever at war with each other. Rumour is one of our greatest enemies. You can give no greater assistance to rumour than allowing it occasionally to be right."

HISTORY WILL PASS JUDGMENT

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The Belgian Government had denounced it swiftly and vigorously. They intend to organise a new army from the younger generation outside Belgium. There is no doubt that this policy is in full accord with the spirit of the Belgian people. They have too recent and too bitter experience of German rule to hope for anything from capitulation.

CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUE

Discussing the Constitutional issue raised by King Leopold's act, The Times says, "By writing the Constitution of the Belgian Kingdom all power is derived from the people and the King holds his commission as Commander-in-Chief like all his other prerogatives on trust. Like our own Sovereign he can act only on the advice of his Ministers, and what he does against their will is neither valid in law, nor binding on the conscience of his subjects. If he brings his authority according to law, as King Leopold has now done, by placing himself in the power of the enemies of his country, his title to govern is automatically suspended."

The Constitution provides explicitly for just such a situation. It releases all public servants, military and civil, and vests supreme authority in the Cabinet possessing the confidence of the two Houses of Legislature.

ONLY GOVERNMENT

"M. Pierlot and his colleagues are, therefore, today the only lawful Government of Belgium, to which all Belgians owe allegiance. They have proclaimed that Belgium is still at war and will fight on as they did in 1914, until complete victory of the Allies and liberation of their country is attained."

The strictures passed upon King Leopold by M. Reynaud, and others, yesterday were necessary, if only in justice to those who, despite defection of their leader, are so resolute to continue the fight."

BELGIUM LOST

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unknown. Presumably this plan is ruled out as an impossibility.

They have, therefore, one choice only to retire to the sea and there endeavour to maintain the perimeter of defence under the very noses of enemy bombers.

Dunkirk is still held and massed RAF and French planes are dropping barrages of bomb to protect the troops.

MAINTAIN MORALE

The situation, however, is fraught with every military disadvantage except that, when the troops maintain their morale and continue to fight in the face of heavy odds, the incredible often happens.

It is impossible to forecast Gen. Weygand's action in the south, but there are several courses open to him which might quickly divert the enemy's attention.

The Germans are, undoubtedly, being hindered by the Allied air offensive and are finding it very disconcerting.

ANGLO-ITALIAN RELATIONS

LONDON, May 29 (Reuter) — In the House of Commons yesterday, Col. Rt. Hon. J. C. Wedgwood invited the Government to make a statement in view of our present relations with Italy.

In reply, Mr. R. A. Butler recalled that the Master of the Rolls recently brought back from Italy proposals which are regarded as affording a satisfactory basis for an agreement regarding contraband control.

Mr. Butler added that the British and Italian representatives are now working out the details of the proposals in Rome. While these discussions were proceeding, he said, he was unable to make any further statements on the matter.

LONDON, May 29 (Reuter) — The Admiralty has made an order transferring from the Ministry of Shipping to the Admiralty the management and control of His Majesty's Coast Guard. The order came into operation yesterday.

Allied Command Remains Cool: New Dispositions Are Now Taken Up

PARIS, May 29 (Reuter) — With the left wing uncovered through the capitulation of the Belgian Army, new dispositions have been taken by the British and French forces in the north.

While beating off the German attacks they are manoeuvring to the front in every direction from which danger threatens.

A massive intervention of the Allied Air Forces to assist the movement of troops was reported last night.

British and French airmen are going into action with all the means at their command to relieve the German pressure.

In other war zones, the Allied operations are having favourable results, especially on the Somme where an important movement is being carried out.

A military spokesman said that some indication of the nature of this movement may be given to-day.

It is estimated that some 300,000 men surrendered as a consequence of King Leopold's decision.

Although his action has opened the road to Dunkirk to the Germans, the Allied Command has never lost its coolness for a moment.

The watchword was immediately circulated. It is: "British and French must go on fighting."

FIGHTING RUMOUR

He said that rumour was the great enemy of true news, and it was impossible to suppress rumour. "We can fight against rumours, and we are fighting against them,"

He agreed that the administration should endeavour to centralise control over all sources of information, and he was doing his best to effect such centralisation.

Mr. Duff Cooper said that there were important elements in Germany who had no sympathy with the present regime or the crimes committed by Hitler. "I should certainly do everything in my power to convey to the ever-existent and crushed minority within an enemy country the views we hold here, and lead them to hope that when the war is over, and a better regime exists throughout this continent, that to these people also should be given the opportunity of sharing in full what prosperity remains for any of us."

MONEY WELL SPENT

That is the first message we should send to them. The second message is certainly that in the end they must be defeated, and it is for them to oppose the continuance of the war, and wish for the earliest possible peace. The sooner the peace, the more will be left for them and others to share in Europe.

We have found little difficulty in obtaining the necessary funds for the necessary activity of this Ministry, and if we can shorten this war by one day it will represent almost all the money which has been spent on our efforts.

I believe it possible that the activities of a Ministry, such as this can shorten a war by weeks, months or even years. The opinion of the world is still tremendous force. It is our business to see that public opinion is well informed, well instructed and harnessed to the duty which civilisation demands of it." (cheers).

NEWS CENTRES

LONDON, May 29 (Reuter) — The Ministry of Information is endeavouring to devise a system by which every village and every street will have some recognised person to whom the public could look for guidance and accurate news in the event of a wireless breakdown.

This was revealed yesterday in the House of Commons by Mr. Harold Nicolson, Parliamentary Secretary of the Ministry of Information.

JUNK SMASHED ON ROCKS

Bound for Hongkong with a cargo of salt, disaster overtook an unnumbered junk when she was sailing off Mak Moon, British territory, on Monday last.

The master, Nan Sing-lee, 30, in a report to the police, stated that in the early hours of the morning his junk was dismantled by sudden squall. The craft drifted helplessly and at 1 a.m. the following day was smashed on the rocks near Tat Tung Channel.

Fortunately no lives were lost, all the members of the crew swimming ashore. The junk was valued at \$1,000.

SHANGHAI, May 29 (Reuter)

Many Norwegian steamers now in Shanghai are understood to have been chartered to a local British shipping firm by whom shipping services between the Far East, Europe and the United States are to be resumed, says the Sin Wan Pao.

Russia has a mighty fear of the German military machine, and an

CABLES

EVACUATION OF BOULOGNE "UNDER HELLISH FIRE"

LONDON, May 29 (Reuter) — Further details of the evacuation of Boulogne "under hellish fire" are now available.

A naval eye-witness said that the naval demolition party had already left with orders. She was relieved by another and a second was relieved by a third.

When the decision was reached that the town could not be held any longer, small parties of seamen went out with parcels of explosives which were placed by any bridges which they thought could not be destroyed until the last of our troops had withdrawn.

In another part of the harbour was a large train with a wet dock beside it. In this dock was a naval trawler.

JAPANESE PLANES BROUGHT DOWN

CHUNGKING, May 29 (Central)

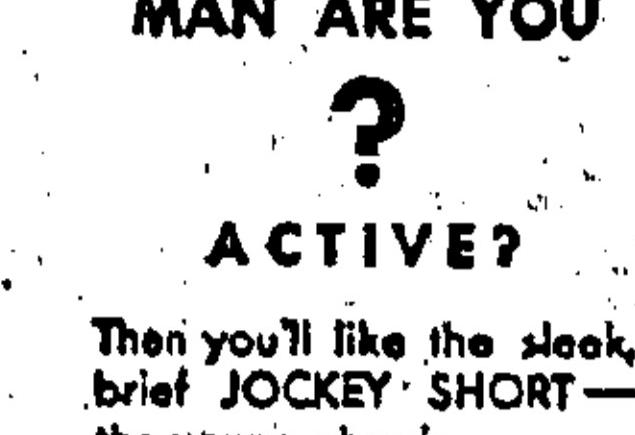
Pending further investigations, two of the Japanese bombers which raided Chungking for the third consecutive day yesterday are known to have been brought down in the eastern outskirts by Chinese anti-aircraft gun fire.

Civilian casualties in the city proper in yesterday's raid were estimated at 250. First aid corps plunged into action immediately after the sounding of the "all clear" signal.

Fires were started by incendiary bombs at several places but they had been brought under control before they could spread and do much damage.

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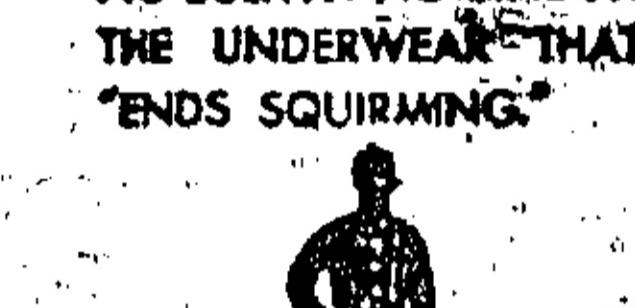


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AT CHINA EMPORIUM

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SHANGHAI, May 29 (Reuter)

The Finance Ministry of the Chungking Government has ordered Chinese commercial banks which operate a savings department to invest 20 per cent of the money in these accounts in the development of agricultural enterprises in the interior in accordance with Government regulations, states Sin Wan Pao.

Dr. Paul Yu Pin, Vicar Apostolic for Nanking, delivered a speech on "The International Situation and the Chinese Resistance" at the Kwangtung University on Tuesday. Dr. Yu left Kwailin for Kwangtung after attending a reception in his honour yesterday afternoon.

Stalin May Have To Yield To German Pressure

AT SOME TIME IN THE NEAR FUTURE STALIN WILL HAVE TO YIELD TO OR REJECT INTENSE GERMAN PRESSURE TO HELP HITLER OUT OF THE MESS HE HAS GOT HIMSELF INTO.

A great number of competent observers is coming to the conclusion that Stalin, so far from being the master of Hitler, is very much his slave.

They believe that the Fuehrer egged the Red Tsar into the war with Finland in order to sap Russia's military strength, and then scared him into a negotiated peace.

A PROPOSAL

It is certainly true that the German Ambassador in Moscow, Count von der Schulenberg, an urbane, highly-polished diplomat of the old school, has been making numerous visits to the Kremlin recently.

He is reliably reported to have proposed to Foreign Minister Molotoff that the Kremlin should "request" the Swedes to accept German "protection" and, in the event of a refusal, to re-attack Finland so as to hold the Swedish-Finnish frontier safe for Totalitarianism.

NEAR EAST ALERT

This possibility cannot be ruled out.

Josef Stalin has not done much in the past few months to suggest he is the great genius he was made out to be last September—the shrewd, cool ruler who would help himself to the European swag without getting his country into war.

Russia has a mighty fear of the German military machine, and an

SYNTHETIC OIL FROM COAL

Special to H.K. Daily Press

MUKDEN, May 29 (Havas) — The production of synthetic oil from coal will be launched by the Fushun mines early next year.

Mr. Makoto Kupo, director of the South Manchurian Railway Company, stated upon his return from Hsinching:

During his stay at Hsinching he negotiated with the "Mauchukuo" Government about large-scale production of oil by coal liquefaction

FOREIGNER MURDERED IN SHANGHAI

SHANGHAI, May 29 (Reuter) — C. Chegwidden, 60-year-old Briton, was killed last night by two Chinese gunmen who entered his residence in the International Settlement for robbery.

The robbers bound and gagged Chegwidden and started to ransack the house when neighbours raised the alarm. The gunmen fled without the loot.

The Police found Chegwidden suffocated and he died en route to hospital. Chegwidden was a former employee of the Customs.

BUCHAREST, May 29, (Reuter) — The immediate construction of additional petrol depots at various strategic points throughout Rumania has been decided, ensuring that the army will always have supplies.

WASHINGTON, May 29 (Reuter) — President Roosevelt has announced the formation of a special National Defence Commission composed of seven prominent men who will supervise the £250,000,000 defence programme.

LONDON, May 29 (Reuter) — His Majesty the King has appointed Admiral Sir Edward Evans to take charge of the local protection and security of the organisation of all factories engaged in aeronautical work and the aerodrome attached to them.

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LAMMERT'S AUCTIONS**PUBLIC AUCTION.**

The Undersigned have received instructions
to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION

Thursday, the 30th May, 1940
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at the premises of The Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd. (outside Godown No. 22), Kowloon.

A LARGE QUANTITY OF MISCELLANEOUS GOODS

comprising:-

Boiler Rivets, Machines, Cobble Wire, Barbed Wire, Galvanized Wire, Wire Shorts, Round and Flat Bars, Iron and Steel Plates, Angle Iron, Pig Iron, Jolts, Auto Springs, Spiral Packing, Packing, Asbestos, Sheets, Roofing, Paints, Oil, Cotton Sheetings, Cotton Piece Goods, Cotton and Rayon Goods, Waterproof Cloth, Woollen Yarn, Hosiery Wool, Pencils, Fasteners, Decarbonator, Spray, Gramophones, Medicines, Carbon Paper, Spirit and Wine, Cigarettes, etc., etc.

Admission to the Godown will be by Pass only. These passes can be obtained from the Undersigned.

Terms: Cash on Delivery.

**LAMMERT BROS.
AUCTIONEERS.**

PUBLIC AUCTION.

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on

Friday, the 31st May, 1940
commencing at 2.30 p.m.

at their Sales Room, No. 35, Han-kow Road, Kowloon.

A QUANTITY OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

Comprising:-

Drawing Room, Bed Room, Dining Room and Office Furniture, Curios, Ornaments, Portable and Cabinet Gramophones, Records, Electric, Ceiling and Table Fans and Lamps, Radios, Silver, Brass, E.P. Glass and Porcelain Ware, Enamel Wash Basins, Marble Statues, Filter, Perambulators, Cooking Utensils, etc., etc.

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Tientsin Carpet, Upright Piano by "Moutrie", Portable Typewriter "Underwood".

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Cine Camera.

"Zeiss" Cine Camera (F2.7 Lens).

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Dinner Services.

Cut Glass Table Lamp.

Marble Standard Lamp.

Teakwood Bed Room Suite.

also

"Peugeot" Motor Car (Licence No. 5845).

On view from Thursday, the 30th May, 1940.

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Passengers**P. I. ATHLETIC DELEGATION PASSES THROUGH**

Passengers who disembarked from a Japanese ship from the south were:-

Mrs. Kyra Hicks, Miss Joyce Mary Hicks, Master Vladimir Korenoff, Mr. Matasaka Kitawaga, Mr. V. Joseph Keekel, Mr. Ezra S. Kureen, Mr. Apostolos Leukeopoulos.

Mr. Woodbury Willoughby of the Manila International Yacht Club and Mrs. Willoughby, the Philippine Islands Athletic Delegation to Japan, under the leadership of Dr. Regine R. Ylanan, Mr. Ziske Toyoda, Correspondent for Domei Press in Sydney, Australia; and Mrs. Zusuke, Mr. Katsuoshi Nakamura, Chancellor of the Japanese Consulate-General in Manila, with Mrs. Nakamura and family, as well as two Japanese Company Directors, Mr. Kenkichi Temimori, and Mr. Naosabure Nakamura,—were some of the passengers in transit aboard the Japanese ship.

ATHLETIC DELEGATION

Among others aboard the vessel are members of the Philippine Athletic Delegation, consisting of:

Dr. Regine R. Ylanan, Mr. N. T. Arciales, Mr. R. Alaytar, Mr. A. Bernabe, Mr. C. Berck, Mr. J. B. Briones, Mr. E. Barros, Mr. A. Crespo, Mr. J. Cabarrus, Mr. D. Calvo, Mr. C. Canillas, Mr. F. C. Causin, Mr. J. J. Gonzalez.

Mr. Ralph G. Hawkins, Mr. S. S. Julia, Mr. J. Garrick, Mr. E. C. Elamias, Mr. J. M. Hernández, Mr. A. H. Lascen, Mr. E. S. Llanes, Mr. Alberto de Larrazabal, Mr. M. Miranda, Mr. René Nieto, Mr. P. V. Obille, Mr. A. Paralejas.

Mr. J. R. Pacheco, Mr. S. Reti, Mr. N. Raymunde, Mr. P. Ramos, Mr. E. G. Saberon, Mr. A. L. Sarden, Mr. M. G. Saberon, Mr. J. D. Tingen, Mr. E. Ugarte, Mr. T. G. Ungson, Mr. J. Villalen, Mr. F. Vicera, Mr. R. T. Villahueva, Mr. C. Zaifa.

IN TRANSIT

The following are the other first and second class passengers aboard in transit:-

Mr. Kenneth E. Adamson, Mr. J. Agtarap, Mrs. H. Amano and two daughters, Mr. Arthur S. Bewe, Sister Sun Kui Chang, Mrs. J. Esteva, Mrs. Ethel M. Farter, Mr. Herbert L. Flanagan, Miss Gerda Haase, Mr. H. Hanazaki.

Mrs. S. Hosoda and two children, Miss O. Kobayashi, Mr. N. Kawashima, Mrs. M. Kawashima and two minors, Mr. and Mrs. K. Kitano and their children, Lt.-Col. M. Kitawaga and Mrs. Kitawaga, Mrs. Kobayashi and son.

Mr. and Mrs. Katsuyoshi Nakamura and two minors, Mr. Naosabure Nakamura, Mr. H. Saito, Mr. E. Saito, Mr. M. Boon Seng Sarisuta, Mr. and Mrs. Kenkichi Temimori, Miss S. Temimori, Miss M. Tamura, Mr. and Mrs. Toyoda, and two minors.

Mr. F. L. Torres, Mr. and Mrs. T. Tani and two infants, Mr. and Mrs. Harold S. Williams and daughter, Mrs. Y. Wakuda and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Woodbury Willoughby, Mr. H. Yamashita.

FROM THE SOUTH

The following passengers arrived in Hongkong yesterday by a British ship:-

Mr. N. Wilks, Mr. A. L. Pearcey, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Christian, Mrs. E. M. Chater, Mrs. L. V. Oudvost, Miss M. G. Dawson, Brother Theodore, Mr. P. H. Tolani, Mr. M. M. Chatterjee, Jemdr. Ahmed Khan and wife, Mr. Wei Tin-see, Mr. Cheong Chin-Leng, Miss K. A. Seth, Mr. P. M. Seth, Mr. Chan Meng-yole, Mrs. Chan Meng-yok, Mr. Lim Wan-soon, Mr. Lim Hae-chiang, Mr. and Mrs. Wong Tin-hoy, Mr. Wong Pak-kin, Mr. Ngan Fook-cheong, Mr. Chang Chung-tan, Mr. Chen Chi-chung, Madam Wong E. Men, Mr. and Mrs. Khong Peng-pool, Mr. Koh Kwong, Mr. Choong Kian-mool, Mrs. Lew Yuk-mooi, Miss Lee, Mool-chong, Mr. Loh Swee-yian, Mr. Choong Teck-sing, Mr. P. F. Trott.

IN TRANSIT

Mr. H. C. Luschen, Mrs. Larsen and daughter, Mr. C. A. Larsen, Mr. A. C. Sen, Mr. and Mrs. Parekh and daughter, Mr. Tong Ching-hsien, Miss A. Gregorjeva, Mr. Tong Cheng-chia, Messrs. Frier, Hansen, Anderson and Jakobsen, Mrs. E. Fuchs, Mr. F. Powell.

FROM THE NORTH

The following passengers arrived in Hongkong yesterday by a Dutch ship:-

Mrs. R. U. Augustines, Miss E. T. Anderson, Miss M. Carreon, Miss V. Dayao, Miss V. Hal-sall, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Katlaw, Dr. and Mrs. J. Katigbak, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. J. Koper, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. de Lao, Mr. P. Mangulat, Miss F. Morales, Mrs. P. Nimes, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Rae and daughter, Mr. P. D. Raeburn, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Rodas and son, Mr. and Mrs. G. Schindig and sons, Mr. S. Thavaradham, Miss E. L. Williams.

IN TRANSIT

Lt. and Mrs. L. C. Baldwin, Mrs. B. M. Coffenberg, Miss Coffenberg, Dr. H. Dain, Mr. Flo Calica, Mr. M. Lipton, Mr. C. Medina, Mrs. H. Page-Smith, Mrs. T. E. Smith and son, Mr. A. Tivoli, Mrs. G. C. Goodwin, Mr. B. de Hepper, Mr. J. Josifek, Miss N. P. Drozdova, Miss H. A. Afanassieva, Miss V. Clarke.

Airport News**CHINA CLIPPER ARRIVES****PAN AMERICAN AIRWAYS CHINA CLIPPER**

(Capt. H. J. Chase) arrived at Kai Tak yesterday afternoon, having been delayed owing to bad weather on Tuesday. She brought

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel S. Schier from Manila. Mr. Schier is President of s.s. Schier and Company, advertising experts of Manila, is on Clipper China to Hong Kong with his bride;

Mr. Henry Lolloj, expert technician of the R.C.A. Corporation, on a flying round trip from Manila to Hong Kong;

Vassaman Assanmal, prominent British Indian merchant of Manila and Hongkong on one of his periodic Clipper flights between the two ports. He is connected with the firm of Assanmal Brothers;

Mr. John Ipekjian, of Ipekjian Bros, prominent jewellers of Manila and Hongkong, also on one of his periodic commutes flights across the China Sea accompanied by his wife;

Mr. Isaac B. Smith, oil executive of San Francisco, making Clipper business trip to the Colony; and

Mr. Dzung Kye-ung, Chinese student returning to his home in China after a period of study at Princeton University. He intends to enroll as a student at the Hongkong University.

The China Clipper is scheduled to leave Kai Tak this morning to return flight to Manila.

Pan American Airways next Clipper—the California Clipper—is due to arrive in Hongkong on June 4 and will return the following morning.

IMPERIAL AIRWAYS

Imperial Airways outward plane (Capt. C. R. Davis and P/O F. J. Raeburn) left Kai Tak at 7 a.m. yesterday taking 197,788 kilos of mail and 78.8 kilos of freight.

She also carried two passengers, one of them being Mr. T. D. Stock, brother of Mr. Robert Stock, of Messrs. David Sassoon & Co., Ltd., Hongkong. Mr. Stock, who is a partner in the firm of Ingot Mills Pty. Ltd., Sydney, N.S.W., arrived in Hongkong by air from England on April 29 and stayed with his brother at No. 8, Shek-O. He left yesterday for Sydney.

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NO WATCHMAN ON DUTY

Henry Graye of Concrete Products, Ltd., and licensee of Mode "A" Dangerous Goods Store No. 11, at Brick Hill, was fined \$25 by Mr. Sheldon yesterday. The defendant was charged with failing to have a watchman on duty at such store on May 16 at 11 a.m., contrary to the Dangerous Goods Ordinance which required that a watchman be on duty at all hours.

Sgt. A.F. Bethall, prosecuting, said that some three weeks prior to this summons he visited the store and had occasion to speak to the foreman on the absence of the watchman.

ILLEGAL SALE OF RACE TICKET

Wu Kam, 18, shop boy, and Lam Chan, 24, shop boy, had their balls of \$15 each escheated when they failed to appear before Mr. R. Edwards yesterday on charges of the illegal sale of sweep tickets of the Macao Jockey Club for the June Meeting at Wellington Street on May 28, and without the permission of the Commissioner of Police.

OPIUM CHARGE

A fine of \$1,000 or two months imprisonment was imposed on Leung Ngau, 29, unemployed, when he was charged before Mr. Sheldon, yesterday with possession of raw opium.

Sgt. J. Bentley, prosecuting,

said that defendant was arrested in Queen's Road, East, near Spring Garden Lane yesterday with 55 taels of opium.

CONSPIRACY WITH JAPANESE

A remand of 72 hours was granted when Cheung Kam-kwai, master of junk No. T3428H, was charged before Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Magistracy yesterday with having, on or about May 8, together with Japanese, did steal or forcibly seize a junk, T3428H, and cargo therein.

On the second count he was charged with being in possession of stolen property: the junk, at Shaukiwan Harbour, knowing same to have been stolen outside the Colony.

Inspector Rutshell, who prosecuted, said that the junk and cargo was valued at \$11,000. Bail was refused.

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FIRING PRACTICE

Light gun firing practice will be carried out between the hours of

6 p.m. and 12 midnight on June 3, 4, 5 and 7, 1940.

Firing Area 'E' will be affected.

GENERAL**ROUND THE POLICE COURTS AT CENTRAL****DEMANDING MONEY FROM STUDENT**

Four Chinese gunners, attached to the Royal Artillery, Stanley Barracks, appeared before Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Magistracy yesterday on a charge of demanding money with menaces and threat to steal same.

It was alleged that the defendants, Chan Kim-hung, 22, Li Wah, 22, Kam Lui, 22 and Cheung Yung, 25, accused the complainant, Li Wing-keung, 21, student, of 78 Main Street, Stanley, at the Lok Yuen Restaurant and demanded the sum of \$50.

On the application of the prosecution the hearing was adjourned for 72 hours, the defendants to be kept in the custody of the military authorities.

HONGKONG HOTEL VICTIMISED

On two counts of larceny by servant, Ko Wun, 38, coolie, employed by the Hongkong Hotel, was sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment on each count when he appeared before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

The

Finance and Commerce

HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE STOCK EXCHANGE

SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Buyers	Sellers	Date	Nominal	WED., 29, MAY.	Buyers	Sellers	Date	Nominal
\$1340	H.K. Banks	...	...	...	\$1340
...	Do. (Col. Reg.)	...	...	...	283
...	Do. (Loc. Reg.)	...	...	...	284
...	Chartered Banks	...	...	...	285
...	Mercantile Bks. "A"	...	...	...	286
...	Mercantile Bks. "C"	...	...	...	287
...	Bank of East Asia	...	...	...	288
...	N. C. & S. Banks	...	...	...	289
...	Insurance	...	...	...	290
...	Canton Insurance	...	...	...	291
...	Union Insurance Underwriters	...	...	...	292
...	H.K. Fire	...	...	...	293
...	Shipping	...	...	...	294
...	Dockless	...	...	...	295
...	Steamships	...	...	...	296
...	Indo-Chinese (Prod.)	...	...	...	297
...	Indo-Chinese (Dist.)	...	...	...	298
...	Shells	...	...	...	299
...	Waterboats	...	...	...	300
...	Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.	...	...	...	301
...	H.K. & K. Wharves	...	...	...	302
...	Provisions (new)	...	...	...	303
...	H.K. Docks C.R.T.S.	...	...	...	304
...	H.K. Docks N.R.T.S.	...	...	...	305
...	do. (Reg.)	...	...	...	306
...	H.K. Docks N.R.T.S.	...	...	...	307
...	Shanghai Docks & Mining	...	...	...	308
...	Kailan	...	...	...	309
...	Banks	...	...	...	310
...	Vesuvius Gold Flts	...	...	...	311
...	Hong Kong Mine	312
...	Lands, Hotels and Buildings	313
...	H.K. Hotels	314
...	H.K. Lands (S.E.)	315
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...	H.K. Lands (S.E.)	317
...	H.K. Railways	318
...	H.K. Railways	319
...	Chinese Estates	320
...	Cotton Mills	321
...	H.K. Cottons (S.E.)	...	...	...	322
...	Zoog Sing (S.E.)	...	...	...	323
...	Wing On Textiles (S.E.)	...	...	...	324
...	Public Utilities	...	...	...	325
...	Tramways	...	...	...	326
...	Peak Trans (old)	...	...	...	327
...	Peak Trans (new)	...	...	...	328
...	Star Ferries	...	...	...	329
...	Y'mai Ferries	...	...	...	330
...	Do. (new)	...	...	...	331
...	China Lights (O)	...	...	...	332
...	China Lights (New)	...	...	...	333
...	China Lights Rta.	...	...	...	334
...	H.K. Electric	335
...	Macao Electric	336
...	Sandakan Lights	337
...	Telephones (old)	338
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THE BATTLE OF MILLIONS

Money talks louder than guns in wartime. In the cash argument the British Commonwealth of Nations outshines Hitler's Reich without the aid of a single Ally.

NET INCOME

Net national income of the United Kingdom is put at £3,609,000,000. The £6,500,000,000 which poured into Germany's coffers—including the

FOREIGN MARKETS AND QUOTATIONS

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

MAY 29, 1940.

On London:—
Telegraphic Transfer 1/3 7/8
Bank Bills, on demand 1/3 7/8
Credits 4 months' sight 1/3 3/1

On Shanghai:—

On demand 350

On Singapore:—

On demand 53 3/4

On Japan:—

On demand 53 1/4

On India:—

Telegraphic Transfer 1/3 2/3

and demand 38 1/2

On New York:—

Bank Bills, on demand 10 1/2

Credits, 60 days' sight 20 1/2

On Batavia:—

On demand 38 1/2

On Paris:—

Bank Bills, on demand 1000

Credits 4 months' sight 1150

On Saigon:—

On demand 108 3/4

On Manila:—

On demand 39

On Bangkok:—

On demand 149 1/2

On Sterling Notes:—

Bank Buying Rate 1/4

Bar Silver per oz. 32

Market Report

FROM ROZA, BROS.

Silver prices dropped 5/18 yesterday for both deliveries, the quotations being 22 for Ready and 21 1/2 for Forward. Silver advices reported Speculators as having sold to a small extent. Support was poor. American Silver was quoted at 35 5/8 for Spot.

The London-New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York/London was quoted at 317, 3/4.

MARKET

Extremely dull.

STERLING

There were sellers at 1/23 1/2 May/December, buyers at 1/3 for any delivery.

U. S. DOLLARS

Nothing doing. There were sellers at 19 3/4 May and 19 11/16 June, buyers at 19 7/8 for Cash 19, 13/16 June.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Sellers at 361

SHANGHAI MARKET

Sterling opened at 41 1/8. Later advices reported sellers at 40 1/4 U.S. Dollars opened with sellers at 57 1/16 and subsequently it was steadier at 51 5/32 for Spot. Quiet.

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, May 29 (Reuter).

Official T.T. Rates

Opening 0/3-7/8

London 5-1/8

New York 21-7/8

Japan 21-1/2

India 2-3/4

Paris 284

Hongkong 25-3/4

Sterling

Sellers
Opening Closing
Spot 0/4-1/8 0/4-9/44
May 0/4-1/8 0/4-9/44
June 0/3-31/32 0/3-63/64

U. S. Dollars

Spot 55-7/16 55-1/2
May 5-7/16 5-1/2
June 5-3/16 5-1/4
Market—Quiet.

Silver Duty Rate

The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2d.

The equalisation rate was 164 per cent.

India Rupee Paper

Bombay, May 28 (Reuter). Govt. 3 1/2 Rupee, 89-02-0.

Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, May 28 (Reuter). T.T. on Japan 100.

SILVER MARKET

LONDON SILVER

London, May 28 (Reuter). Silver—Little speculative selling. Poor support. Business very small. Market uncertain. In the afternoon, the market was quietly steady.

Spot 22d.

Forward, 21d.

BOMBAY SILVER

Bombay, May 28 (Reuter). Market—Steady. Oftake 400 bars

INDIAN MINT SILVER

Ready 63-00

June 3 Settlement 63-08

July 2 Settlement 63-13

PAYNE & CO.
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STOCK EXCHANGE BUILDING
HONGKONGCOMMODITY MARKET REVIEW
(FROM PAYNE & CO.)

New York, May 28, 1940.

Previous May 28
CLOSING OPENING CLOSING CHANGE
Buyers Buyers

S P O T 36-7/8 37 cts. 36-1/4 off 5/8

JULY-SEPT. 38 cts. 36-1/8 35-1/2 off 1/2

OCT.-DEC. 34-1/2 34-5/8 34 cts. off 1/2

After ruling steady, the market eased on outside liquidation and closed uncertain.

LONDON RUBBER Previous close Today's close

buyers buyers Change

S P O T 11-5/8 11-9/16 off 1/16

J U N E 11-9/16 11-9/16 unch.

JULY-SEPT. 11-1/2 11-7/16 off 1/16

OCT.-DEC. 11-1/4 11-1/8 off 1/8

JAN.-MARCH 10-15/16 10-7/8 off 1/16

After ruling uncertain the market became quietly steady.

NEW YORK COTTON: Early selling on unfavourable war news met with trade buying on the scale down. Demand for Spots continues to be good.

NEW YORK RUBBER: Prices dwindled on lack of interest...

CHICAGO WHEAT: The steady influence of the loan disbursements selling. Weather reports generally are favourable.

NEW YORK STOCKS: Previous close, 116.35; Today's close, 114.26; Change, off 2.09.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

High Low Close Close Change
Prev. Today's

New York Cotton, July 9.60 9.19 9.62 9.56 .06 off

New York Rubber, July 19.34 18.25 19.55 19.30 .25 off

Chicago Wheat, Sept. 83 803 831 831 + off

Chicago Corn, Sept. 62 61 621 621 + off

New York Hides, June 9.55 8.80 9.81b 9.50b .31 off

NEW YORK COTTON Close Opening Closing Change

July 9.82/63 9.30/20 9.58/56 .06 off

July (New contract) 9.33 N 9.37b/50a 9.76 N .07 off

October 8.91/91 8.43/45 8.74/74 .17 off

December 8.81/81 8.40/36 8.64/64 .17 off

January 8.74 N 8.31b/34a 8.57 N .17 off

March 8.63/63 8.25/28 8.44/44 .19 off

May 8.49/48 8.14/14 8.31/31 .18 off

Total sales Monday—35,000 bales.

NEW YORK RUBBER

May 20.44 N 20.25/25 .21 off

July 19.55/58 18.95b/19.10a 19.30/34 .25 off

September 18.38/40 17.70b/18.00a 18.10/10 .28 off

December 18.00/00 17.50b/75a 17.60 N .40 off

January 17.90 N 17.75 A 17.50 N .40 off

Total sales Monday—500 bushels.

CHICAGO WHEAT

July 84-81 82 81 83 83 2 off

September 83 84 81 81 83 83 2 off

December 84 84 84 84 84 84 2 off

Monday's sales—9,278,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN

July 63 63 63 63 63 63 2 off

September 62 62 62 62 62 62 2 off

December 59 59 59 59 59 59 2 off

WINNIPEG WHEAT

May 73 73 72 72 72 72 2 off

July 74 74 73 73 73 73 1 off

October 77 77 76 76 76 76 1 off

NEW YORK HIDES

June 9.81b/87a 9.00/8.80 9.50b/60a .31 off

July 9.15/50 9.74/74 .32 off

December 10.34 N 9.60/57 9.85b/10.00a .39 off

New York Official 35-3/8 35-5/8

NY-London Cross Rate 3.19-3/8

SPECIAL DEFENCE TAX IN U.S.

WASHINGTON, May 29 (Reuter)

The Administration and Congressional leaders have agreed to raise \$3,000,000,000 in new taxes during the next five years to defray the costs of national defence.

President Roosevelt has ratified a plan which provides for the immediate financing of defence by the sale of special national defence obligations valued at \$3,000,000,000.

Additional taxes, amounting to between \$600,000,000 and \$700,000,000 will be levied annually and the proceeds used to retire the national defence obligations and to pay interest on them.

LONDON METALS EXCHANGE

London, May 28 (Reuter).

Tin buyers sellers

Standard, Cash 268 268-1/2

3 months 265-1/4 265-1/2

Indian Mint Silver

Ready 63-00

June 3 Settlement 63-08

July 2 Settlement 63-13

LONDON GOLD

London, May 28 (Reuter).

Bar Gold, Fine per oz. 168-

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

QUOTATION

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

MAY 10, 1940. STOCKS Last Sale STOCKS Last Sale

May 28 Adams Express 41 J. & Laughlin Steel 57 pfid. 50

Alleghany Steel Co. 18 Kennecott Copper 28

Allied Stores 44 Lake Foundry & Mac. 23

Allis Chalmers 24 Libby-Owens-Ford Glass 32

Aluminum Ltd. 55 Lockheed Aircraft 29

Amer. Can 907 Lew's Inc. 22

Amer. Cyanamid B. 301 Loft Incorporated 17

Amer. & Foreign Power 14 Mack Truck Inc. 19

Amer. & Foreign Power 12 Martin, Glen L. 33

American Gas & Elec. 264 McKesson & Robbins, pfid. 19

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HONG KONG TIDE TABLE
From 30 May to 5 June 1940.

Days of Week	HIGH WATER.		LOW WATER.	
	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Thur. 30	h. m.	in.	h. m.	in.
	06 53	4 8	10 51	1 1
	13 50	4 8	22 36	2 2
Fri. 31	05 58	6 1	11 49	3 7
	17 08	4 4	23 23	1 4
Sat. 1	04 24	5 4		
	18 19	4 8	21 48	3 2
Sun. 2	06 45	5 7	00 06	2 5
	12 55	4 3	13 31	2 6
Mon. 3	07 10	6 1	00 40	2 5
	20 21	4 2	14 16	2 0
Tues. 4	07 38	6 5	01 22	2 6
	21 10	4 3	14 54	1 5
Wed. 5	08 08	6 9	01 56	2 8
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All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 18th June, 1940, or they will not be recognized.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 3rd June, 1940, at 10 a.m. by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hong Kong, 28th May, 1940. [318]

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Damaged Packets will be examined by the Company's Surveyor, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas in the presence of the Consignees at 10.00 a.m. on Friday, the 31st May, 1940.

Consignee must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when any dutiable goods are examined by the Company's Surveyor.

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R. OHL.
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Hong Kong, 1940. [313]

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All claims against the vessel must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 17th June, 1940, or they will not be recognized.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 1st June, 1940, at 9 a.m. by Messrs. Carmichael & Clarke.

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Hong Kong, 28th May, 1940. [301]

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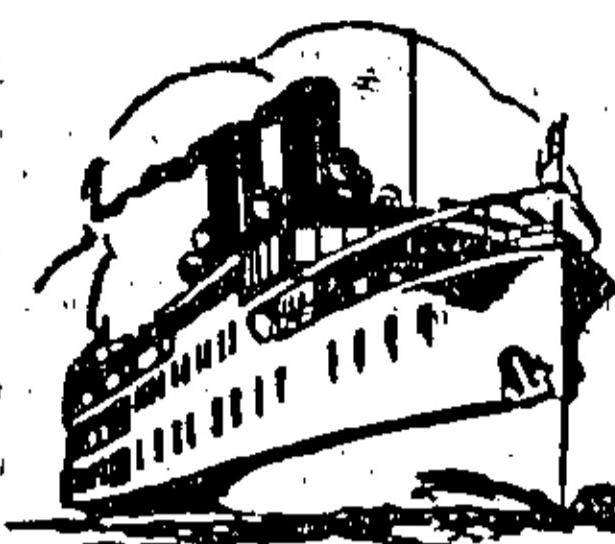
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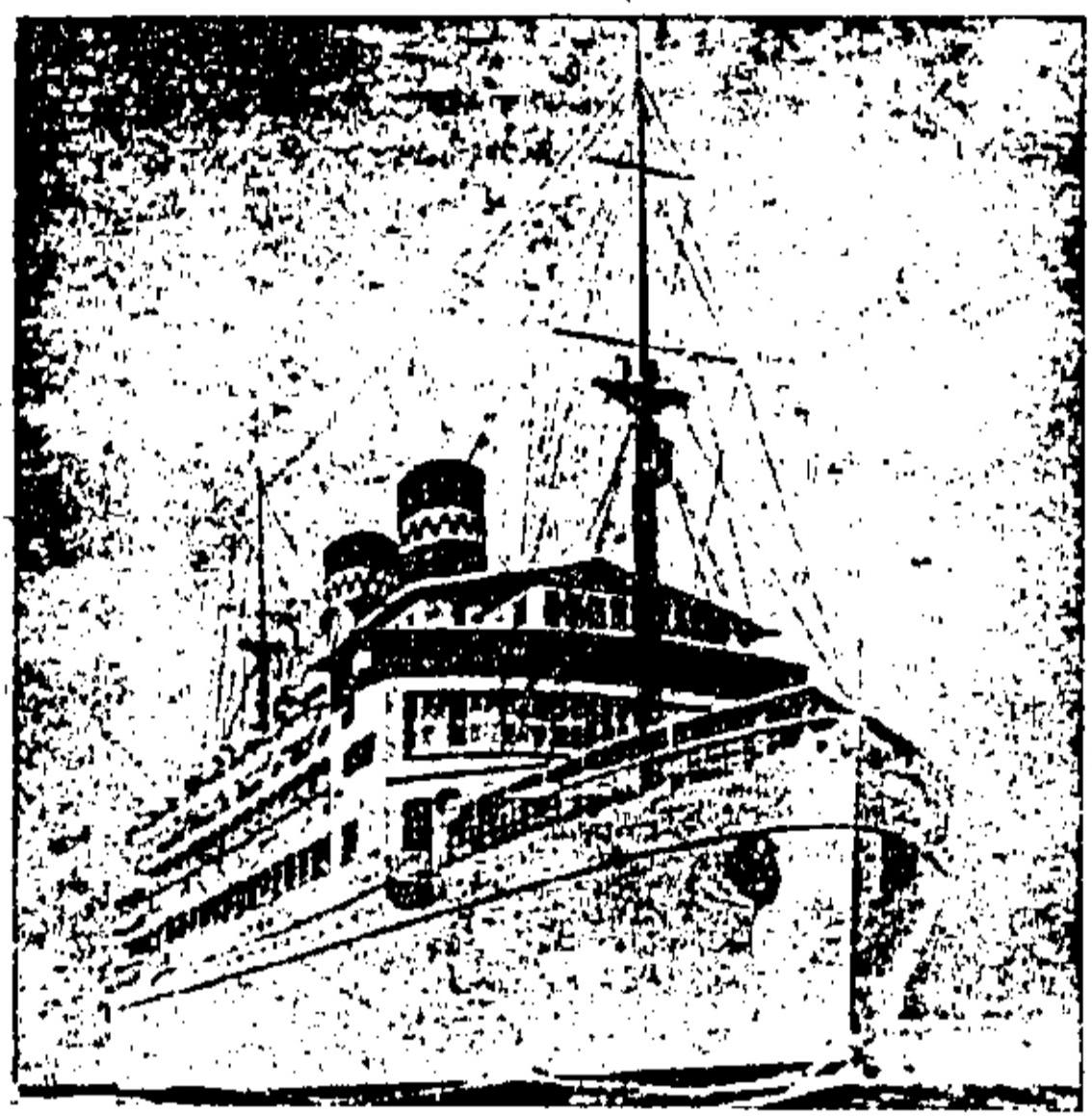


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BIG DEMAND FOR BIBLE IN CHINA INTERIOR

SOCIETY REPORTS GOOD YEAR

A very satisfactory year was recorded at the annual meeting of the Hongkong Auxiliary of the British and Foreign Bible Society held at St. John's Cathedral Hall yesterday evening.

The Rt. Rev. R. O. Hall, Bishop of Hongkong, President of the Society, was in the chair, supported by the Rev. Frank Short, Secretary, and Dr. K. L. Reichelt.

The meeting commenced with a prayer, a hymn and a short address by the Bishop.

Following the adoption of the annual report and statement of accounts, Dr. Carleton Lucy, of the China House, who recently came to the Colony from the interior, spoke on the spread of Christianity in China and the great increase in demand for the Bible in the country.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The following was the secretary's report:

The last two years have been years of unprecedented difficulties and unparalleled opportunities. A book could be written of the difficulties of circulating the Scriptures in war-torn China. Printing difficulties, shortage of paper and of leather have had to be overcome; new routes into the interior have had to be found.

There are many appeals in Hongkong which rightly appeal for support. It is with confidence in your response that your Committee appeals to you to continue and increase your support of the British and Foreign Bible Society. The Bible, too, marches and must march on.

Mr. Short added that there had been an increase in sales of the Bible of about 110,000 copies in China, since 1937.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The financial report of the Society was as follows:

This year the statement of accounts covers two years, unfortunately during the year 1939 no annual meeting was held.

During the year 1938-1939, our Hongkong Auxiliary paid \$1,050 to the British and Foreign Bible Society, the same amount as in the previous year, but to do that the balance in the Bank at the end of the financial year was reduced from \$92.55 to \$20.30, so that actually we did not do so well as in the previous year though we handed over the same amount of money.

During the year 1938, only two Non-Chinese Churches subscribed as Churches to our funds. Letters were therefore sent to the Clergy of all the Non-Chinese Churches, with the result that this year eight Churches subscribed a total sum of \$468.19.

The Chinese Churches subscribed exactly the same sum each year from their Bible Sunday Collections, namely, \$369.72.

MISS DRURY

The Committee and Treasurer desire to thank each Church and every donor for their gifts and also each Lady Collector for their efforts on behalf of the Auxiliary. Special mention should be made of Miss M. Drury's services to the Society.

It is also the earnest hope of the Committee that by a united effort on the part of all the Churches both Chinese and Non-Chinese, and with the assistance of more Lady Collectors, the year 1940 in spite of war conditions will be a record one, with increased funds to meet the increasing needs and opportunities of the British and Foreign Bible Society in Hongkong, Kowloon, the New Territories and South China.

I wish to record my thanks to the Mr. S. V. Boxer for kindly auditing the accounts.

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OFFICERS ELECTED

The following officers were elected:

Vice-Presidents.—Hon. Sir Henry Pollock and Dr. K. L. Reichelt; Hon. Treasurer—Dr. J. H. Montgomery; Hon. Secretary—Rev. Frank Short.

LONDON, May 29 (Reuter)—The Lord Mayor's Red Cross Fund for the war sick and wounded has now reached £1,500,000, the latest contribution including a further £2,000 from the Jamaica War Assistance Committee bringing their total to £24,500.

DRESS REHEARSALS IN THE BALKANS

The threadbare safety curtain of "strict neutrality" still hangs over the Balkan stage, but diplomatic and military caravans are tumbling over each other to prepare for the drama which seems likely to begin at any moment.

Facts which South-East Europe have to face were these: Germany's air force might soon be unable to leave the ground without Rumanian petrol, German people would soon be getting hungry if deprived of Balkan larders.

To guarantee these supplies might not Adolf Hitler stage an early march? He had already invaded two Scandinavian countries in a desperate effort to secure the Swedish iron-ore route for the Ruhra armaments factories. Sweden itself was far from safe.

ALLIES PREPARED

Great Britain and France were prepared for a Nazi adventure in the Balkans. In London, Viscount Halifax was discussing moves with his representatives from South-East Europe.

While the Allied War Council talked over the military situation its Commander-in-Chief, in the Near East, General Maxime Weygand, rushed back to his Syrian headquarters from urgent conferences in Paris with the war council of Paul Reynaud and Generalissimo Gamelin.

British warships were reported to be moving in the Aegean, when the Italian fleet put futilly to sea to stage Spring manoeuvres. These were launched earlier than usual—"to be ready," as Rome put it.

ITALIAN PRESS

Italian newspapers were raising a dust cloud of praise for Germany's action in the North.

Giovanni Ansaldi, Count Galeazzo Ciano's co-director of the *Telegrafo*, announced that Italy would not wait for war to spread to its shores, but would choose a convenient moment.

Nevertheless, Rome quietly declared that it was still remaining "non-belligerent." The manoeuvres would not be "provocative."

Germans are well rehearsed in the art of staging incidents. Their diplomats and agents put on a little drama which could easily have been the prelude to full action, and was a curious parallel to what was happening in the North.

RIVER RIPPLES

Running from Germany and Austria through three key Balkan States, the Danube is as vital a commercial waterway for the Reich as was the Norwegian coastal corridor. Up it go streams of small steamers and barges carrying Rumanian and Russian oil and Balkan produce.

In Bucharest recently it was reported that three of these river craft, the 70-ton steamer *Gheorghe* loaded with wheat and two barges with 700 tons of oil had been sunk on their way to Germany following mysterious explosions in their holds.

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